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Applicants		Murthy V. Simhambhatla et al.
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		INFLATABLE MEMBER FOR A CATHETER
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REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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Applicants respectfully request a three month extension for filing a reply in the above-identified application. A Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal and the required fee, \$950.00 pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136(a), are submitted herewith.

Please charge any additional fee or credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 06-2425. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.

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